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1. NOVEMBER 22 MASS CIRCULATION EL COMERCIO CARRIED COMPLETE TEXT OF AMBASSADOR'S PEACE CORPS STATEMENT (SEE REFTEL). ULTIMA HORA QUOTED EXTENSIVELY FROM STATEMENT IN STORY CAPTIONED "PEACE CORPS DID NOT ENGAGE IN POLITICS," WHILE LA PRENSA CARRIED SHORTER STORY BASED ON STATEMENT.

2. PORTIONS OF AMBASSADOR'S STATEMENT WERE READ ON PERUVIAN TELEVISION AND RADIO NEWSCASTS. USIS-PROVIDED TAPES WERE ALSO SENT TO PROVINCIAL RADIO STATIONS.

3. GOP COMMUNIQUE ON PEACE CORPS WAS ALSO CARRIED BY MOST OF PERUVIAN NEWSPAPERS. TEXT OF GOP ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWS:

QUOTE. PERUVIAN TECHNICIANS AND PROFESSIONALS WILL HAVE, FROM NOW ON, THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE TASKS PREVIOUSLY REALIZED IN THE COUNTRY BY THE PEACE CORPS OF THE UNITED STATES.

QUOTE. THE ROVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF THE ARMED FORCES HAS SENT
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A NOTE TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN PERU

THANKING THE GOVERNMENT OF THAT COUNTRY FOR THE IMPORTANT SERVICES THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE AFOREMENTIONED ORGANIZATION (PC) CARRIED OUT IN DIVERSE REGIONS OF THE NATIONAL TERRITORY, AND CONSIDERS TERMINATED THE ACCORD, EXISTING SINCE JANUARY, 1962. BETWEEN BOTH GOVERNMENTS BY WHICH THE FUNCTIONING OF THE PEACE CORPS WAS AUTHORIZED.

QUOTE. THE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS THAT THE PERUVIAN PROFESSIONALS AND TECHNICIANS WHO WERE WORKING WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE PEACE CORPS ARE NOT FULLY QUALIFIED AND CAN CARRY OUT THEMSELVES THE IMPORTANT TASKS THAT THEY (PCVS) EXECUTED IN THE COUNTRY. END TEXT.

2. UNDER TITLE OF "NO THE PEACE CORPS IN NOT THE CIA," EXPRESO PUBLISHED "SPECIAL REPORT" BY GREGORIO SELSER STATING THAT PC IS NOT CIA, THEY ONLY BELONG TO SAME BODY, I.E. USG. ARTICLE GOES ON TO SAY THAT TWO EVENTS BEHIND FORMATION OF PC WERE CUBA AND BAY OF

PIGS AND PUBLICATION OF LEDERER AND BURDICK BOOK, "THE UGLY AMERICAN". ARTICLE STATES THAT REASON FOR CREATION OF PC WAS DESIRE TO IMPROVE AMERICAN IMAGE ABROAD. ARTICLE QUOTES AND COMMENTS EXTENSIVELY FROM BOOK, ENDING WITH ITS RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ALL U.S. AMBASSADORS READ AND SPEAK LANGUAGE OF COUNTRY OF ASSIGNMENT AND BE WILLING TO ENDURE UNCOMFORTABLE AND UNHEALTHY PLACES. "THIS IDEA, RECOMMENDED FOR CAREER DIPLOMATS, WAS EXTRACTED BY KENNEDY'S BRAIN TRUST AND APPLIED TO YOUNG IDEALISTS. IN ESSENCE, THE PEACE CORPS APPEARED."
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